

FORM FOR USE IN APPLICATIONS
FOR HABEAS CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2254

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Albert Jerome Lockwood

Name

(AIS) 134376

Prison Number

St. Clair Correctional Facility, St. Clair County, Alabama

Place of Confinement

United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama

Case No. 2:07cv715-WKW
(To be supplied by Clerk of U. S. District Court)

ALBERT JEROME LOCKWOOD

, PETITIONER
(Full Name) (Include name under which you were convicted)

RALPH HOOKS, Warden

, RESPONDENT
(Name of Warden, Superintendent, Jailor, or authorized person
having custody of Petitioner)

and

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA

, ADDITIONAL RESPONDENT.

(if petitioner is attacking a judgement which imposed a sentence to be served in the future, petitioner must fill in the name of the state where the judgment was entered. If petitioner has a sentence to be served in the future under a federal judgment which he wishes to attack, he should file a motion under 28 U.S.C. §2255, in the federal court which entered the judgment.)

PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BY A PERSON IN
STATE CUSTODY

INSTRUCTIONS--READ CAREFULLY

- (1) This petition must be legibly handwritten or typewritten and signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury. Any false statement of a material fact may serve as the basis for prosecution and conviction for perjury. All questions must be answered concisely in the proper space on the form.

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The Judicial Conference of the United States has adopted, effective 1/1/83, the 8½ x 11 inch paper size standard for use throughout the federal judiciary and directed the elimination of the use of legal size paper. All pleadings, etc. filed after 12/31/82 must be on 8½ x 11 inch paper, otherwise we cannot accept them.

- (2) Additional pages are not permitted except with respect to the facts which you rely upon to support your grounds for relief. No citation of authorities need be furnished. If briefs or arguments are submitted, they should be submitted in the form of a separate memorandum.
- (3) Upon receipt of a fee of \$5 your petition will be filed if it is in proper order.
- (4) If you do not have the necessary filing fee, you may request permission to proceed in forma pauperis, in which event you must execute the declaration on the last page, setting forth information establishing your inability to prepay the fees and costs or give security therefor. If you wish to proceed in forma pauperis, you must have an authorized officer at the penal institution complete the certificate as to the amount of money and securities on deposit to your credit in any account in the institution.
- (5) Only judgments entered by one court may be challenged in a single petition. If you seek to challenge judgments entered by different courts either in the same state or in different states, you must file separate petitions as to each court.
- (6) Your attention is directed to the fact that you must include all grounds for relief and all facts supporting such grounds for relief in the petition you file seeking relief from any judgment of conviction.
- (7) When the petition is fully completed, the original and two copies * must be mailed to the Clerk of the United States District Court whose address is:

P.O. Box 711
Montgomery, Alabama 36101

- (8) Petitions which do not conform to these instructions will be returned with a notation as to the deficiency.

***If you are proceeding in forma pauperis, only the original petition needs to be filed with the Court.**

PETITION

1. Name and location of court which entered the judgment of conviction under attack Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Montgomery, Alabama
2. Date of judgment of conviction February 24, 2004
3. Length of sentence LWOP Sentencing Judge Tracy McCooey

4. Nature of offense or offenses for which you were convicted: Attempted Murder
5. What was your plea? (check one)
(a) Not guilty (X)
(b) Guilty ()
(c) Nolo contendere ()
If you entered a guilty plea to one count or indictment, and a not guilty plea to another count or indictment, give details: N/A
6. Kind of trial: (Check one)
(a) Jury (X)
(b) Judge only ()
7. Did you testify at the trial? Yes () No (X)
8. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction? Yes (X) No ()
9. If you did appeal, answer the following:
(a) Name of court Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals
(b) Result Affirmed
(c) Date of result October 15, 2004
If you filed a second appeal or filed a petition for certiorari in the Supreme Court, give details: N/A
10. Other than a direct appeal from the judgment of conviction and sentence, have you previously filed any petitions, applications, or motions with respect to this judgment in any court, state or federal? Yes (X) No ()
11. If your answer to 10 was "yes", give the following information:
(a) (1) Name of court Circuit Court of Montgomery County
(2) Nature of proceeding Petition for postconviction relief, filed pursuant to Rule 32, Ala.R.Crim.P.
(3) Grounds raised Denial of effective assistance of counsel
(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application or motion? Yes () No (X)
(5) Result Dismissed
(6) Date of result November 10, 2006

(b) As to any second petition, application or motion give the same information:

(1) Name of court N/A

(2) Nature of proceeding _____

(3) Grounds raised _____

(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application or motion? Yes () No ()

(5) Result _____

(6) Date of result _____

(c) As to any third petition, application or motion, give the same information:

(1) Name of Court N/A

(2) Nature of proceeding _____

(3) Grounds raised _____

(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application or motion? Yes () No ()

(5) Result _____

(6) Date of result _____

(d) Did you appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction the result of any action taken on any petition, application or motion:

(1) First petition, etc. Yes (X) No ()

(2) Second petition, etc. Yes () No ()

(3) Third petition, etc. Yes () No ()

(e) If you did not appeal from the adverse action on any petition, application or motion, explain briefly why you did not: N/A

12. State concisely every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize briefly the facts supporting each ground.

CAUTION: In order to proceed in the federal court, you must ordinarily first exhaust your state court remedies as to each ground on which you request action by the federal court. As to all grounds on which you have previously exhausted state court remedies, you should set them forth in this petition if you wish to seek federal relief. If you fail to set forth all such grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting them at a later date.

For your information, the following is a list of the most frequently raised grounds for relief in habeas corpus proceedings. Each statement preceded by a letter constitutes a separate ground for possible relief. You may raise any grounds which you may have other than those listed if you have exhausted all your state court remedies with respect to them. However, you should raise in this petition all available grounds (relating to this conviction) on which you base your allegations that you are being held in custody unlawfully.

If you select one or more of these grounds for relief, you must allege facts in support of the ground or grounds which you choose. Do not check any of the grounds listed below. The petition will be returned to you if you merely check (a) through (j) or any one of these grounds.

- (a) Conviction obtained by plea of guilty which was unlawfully induced or not made voluntarily with understanding of the nature of the charge and the consequences of the plea.
- (b) Conviction obtained by use of coerced confession.
- (c) Conviction obtained by use of evidence gained pursuant to an unconstitutional search and seizure, [where the state has not provided a full and fair hearing on the merits of the Fourth Amendment claim].
- (d) Conviction obtained by use of evidence obtained pursuant to an unlawful arrest, [where the state has not provided a full and fair hearing on the merits of the Fourth Amendment claim].
- (e) Conviction obtained by a violation of the privilege against self-incrimination.
- (f) Conviction obtained by the unconstitutional failure of the prosecution to disclose to the defendant evidence favorable to the defendant.
- (g) Conviction obtained by a violation of the protection against double jeopardy.
- (h) Conviction obtained by action of a grand or petit jury which was unconstitutionally selected and impaneled.
- (i) Denial of effective assistance of counsel.
- (j) Denial of right of appeal.

A. Ground one: Denial of effective assistance of counsel

Supporting FACTS (tell your story briefly without citing cases or law):

(See attach additional pages)

B. Ground two: N/A

Supporting FACTS (tell your story briefly without citing cases or law):

C. Ground three: N/A

Supporting FACTS (tell your story briefly without citing cases or law):

ATTACHMENT (facts):

The petitioner contends that he was denied effective assistance of counsel at trial because his counsel was ineffective for failing to properly preserve claims that were raised on appeal by his appellate counsel on these grounds: (1) that the trial court erred in allowing into evidence a transcript of a statement the petitioner made to the police, despite the fact that the audiotape recording of that statement had been lost by law enforcement; and that the evidence should have been suppressed because law enforcement acted in bad faith and that the petitioner was prejudiced as a result; (2) that the trial court erred in allowing into evidence the petitioner's statement to the police and a transcript of that statement because he was denied his right to remain silent and his right to an attorney during questioning; and (3) that (a) the State did not request an instruction on evidence of flight until after the trial court had finished the other oral instructions but before the jury retired to deliberate in order to give undue weight to the evidence of flight and, further, that the petitioner was prejudiced by the timing of the flight instruction, which was the last instructing given to the jury; and (b) the court erred in not instructing the jury that it had the option to disregard the statement the petitioner gave to the police

or the option to find him not guilty of any crime. He therefore asserts that any default arising from the failure to preserve these claims on appeal was due to ineffective assistance of counsel and that such establishes cause for this procedural default.

D. Ground four: N/A

Supporting FACTS (tell your story briefly without citing cases or law):

13. If any of the grounds listed in 12A, B, C, and D were not previously presented in any other court, state or federal state briefly what grounds were not so presented, and give your reasons for not presenting them: N/A

14. Do you have any petition or appeal now pending in any court, wither state or federal, as to the judgment under attack? Yes () No (X)

15. Give the name and address, if known, of each attorney who represented you in the following stages of the judgment attacked herein:

(a) At preliminary hearing Vicky U. Toles, Esq., 400 S. Union Street, Ste. 270, Montgomery, Alabama 36104

(b) At arraignment and plea Vicky U. Toles, Esq.

(c) At trial Vicky U. Toles, Esq.

(d) At sentencing Vicky U. Toles, Esq.

(e) On appeal Thomas J. Azar, Jr., Esq., 609 S. McDonough Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104

(f) In any post-conviction proceeding N/A

(g) On appeal from any adverse ruling in a post-conviction proceeding: N/A

16. Were you sentenced on more than one count of an indictment, or on more than one indictment, in the same court and at the same time?
Yes () No (X)

17. Do you have any future sentence to serve after you complete the sentence imposed by the judgment under attack?
Yes () No (X)

(a) If so, give name and location of court which imposed sentence to be served in the future: _____

(b) And give date and length of sentence to be served in the future: _____

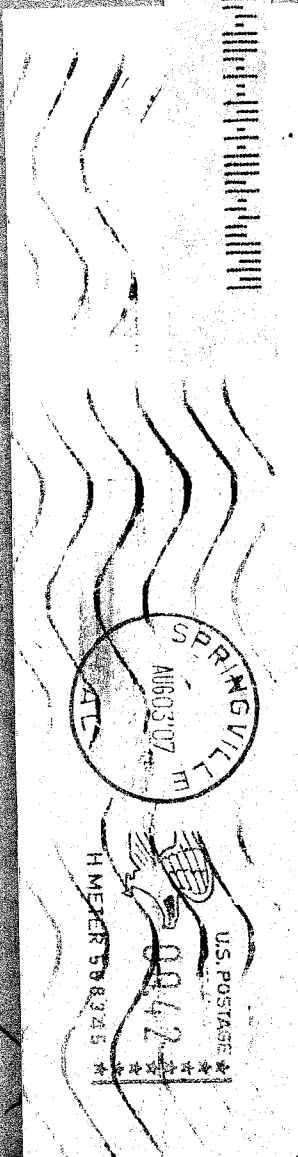
(c) Have you filed, or do you contemplate filing, any petition attacking the judgment which imposed the sentence to be served in the future?
Yes () No ()

Wherefore, petitioner prays that the Court grant petitioner relief to which he may be entitled in this proceeding.

Signature of Attorney (if any)

I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on 8-2-2007,
(date)

Albert Jerome Rockwood
Signature of Petitioner



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